

12 August 1953

MEMORANDUM FOR: Personnel Director
General Counsel
Director of Security

SUBJECT : Security Hearing Board Roster

1. The proposed letter to the Secretary of Defense, a copy of which is attached, with reference to a Security Hearing Board Roster was discussed at the Deputies' Meeting on 10 August 1953. The Acting Director, General Cabell, indicated that he did not approve of an arrangement of this sort which might be interpreted as a "side deal."

2. As a matter of principle, General Cabell agreed that an arrangement which would broaden the base for handling CIA requests would be acceptable but that he would oppose any arrangement which had the effect of restricting that base.

3. The letter has, therefore, been withdrawn and we should proceed with the Civil Service Commission and other departments to insure that there will be sufficient high level members of the panel from other departments for the adequate and secure consideration of CIA cases.

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